

MINUTES
CABARRUS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday March 7th, 2017

Supervisors Present: Vicky Porter, Tommy Porter, Louis Suther, Ned Hudson, and Jeff Goforth

Staff Present: Erin Lineberger and Daniel McClellan

Others Present: Kelly Sifford, Department Head; Chris Childers, NRCS Partner; Ralston James, DSWC Partner; Lynn Shue, BOC Liaison; and Zach Moffitt, Associate Board Member

(1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Vicky Porter at 5:36 P.M.

(2) Approval of Agenda

UPON MOTION of Tommy Porter, seconded by Ned Hudson and unanimously carried, the Board move to approve the agenda with changes noted by Chairperson.

(3) Approval or Correction of Minutes for February 1st, 2017 & February 20th, 2017 Called Meetings & February 7th Regular Meeting

UPON MOTION of Louis Suther, seconded by Jeff Goforth and unanimously carried, the Board moved to approve the minutes of the February 1st, 2017 & February 20th, 2017 Called Meetings & February 7th Regular Meeting.

(4) Board Training Session

Erin Lineberger presented a training regarding the legal roles and responsibilities of Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisors.

(5) Informational Items

(5-A) Board, Partner, and Staff Report

(5-a-i) New Staff Search Report

Daniel McClellan updated the Board on the current status of the new staff member search.

(5-a-ii) Division Funds Report

Daniel McClellan reported to the Board and partners on the status of current cost share projects and funds. Vicky and Daniel also shared take-aways from the Division Cost Share Rules Revision Meeting on February 22nd.

(5-a-iii) Education Report

Erin Lineberger reported on the status of CSWCD Educational programs to the Board, including Envirothon and Conservation Contest Events.

(5-a-iv) Area VIII Spring Meeting Report

Board, staff, and partners discussed Cabarrus County's lack of an agricultural center.

(5-a-v) Budget Report

Daniel McClellan shared the FY18 Requested Operational Budget.

(6) New Business

(6-A) CSWCD Policy Updates

(6-a-i) Conflict of Interest

UPON MOTION of Tommy Porter, seconded by Ned Hudson and unanimously carried, the Board moved to approve the Conflict of Interest Policy as written.

(7) Closed Session to consider approval of Conservation Plans

UPON MOTION of Jeff Goforth, seconded by Tommy Porter and unanimously carried, the Board moved to enter into Closed Session at 7:14 pm due to "Legally Confidential Information" based on the requirements of the Section 1619 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008." Kelly Sifford and Zach Moffitt were invited into the session. One conservation plan was approved during the session.

(10) Adjourn

Prior to adjourning, Vicky Porter opened the floor to partner comments. Ralston James shared dates regarding the Legislative Blitz.

UPON MOTION of Jeff Goforth, seconded by Tommy Porter and unanimously carried, the Board moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 PM.



Vicky Porter, Chairman



Tommy Porter, Secretary/Treasurer

